Grant-in-aid to Ayurveda Vaidyasalas.

18. ***Mr. K. M. Kesavan:** Will the Government be pleased to state by caste :

(*a*) the number of applications received for grant-in-aid to Ayurveda Vaidyasalas in 1114 ; and

(*b*) the number of Vaidyasalas to which grant-in-aid was sanctioned ?

Mr. G. Narayanan Tampi (*Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) It is too numerous to be listed. There were about 200 applications.

(*b*) Six.

Bridge at Pathiyoor.

19. ***Mr. K. M. Kesavan:** Will the Government be pleased to state whether since the last budget session of the Legislature the putting up of a bridge at Pathiyoor to the west of the temple and another at Evoor to the east of the Sri Krishnaswami temple has engaged the attention of Government?

Mr. M. S. Doraswami Aiyangar (*Chief Engineer*) : An estimate has been prepared for the Pathiyoor bridge. No action has been taken in respect of the Evoor bridge.

Mr. K. M. Kesavan: It is said that an estimate has been prepared for the Pathiyoor Bridge. May I know what the estimated amount is and when the bridge will be put up ?

Mr. M. S. Doraswami Aiyangar: The previous estimate was for a bridge of 25 feet span costing about Rs. 3,300.

Mr. K. M. Kesavan: May I know the probable time during which the bridge will be completed ?

Mr. M. S. Doraswami Aiyangar: We are now considering another cheaper type of bridge known as 'rural bridge'. It is being scruitinised by the local officers. If we are able to reduce the amount, probably the construction of the bridge will be completed this year.

Mr. K. M. Kesavan: May I know why nothing has been stated about the Evoor Bridge ?

Mr. M. S. Doraswami Aiyangar: It is proposed to take up that bridge as soon as the construction of the Pathiyoor bridge is over.

Pakuthi Cutcherries

20. ***Mr. K. M. Kesavan:** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the total number of Pakuthi Cutcherries in the State ;

(*b*) the number of rented buildings for the same ;

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